

American-Italian CANCER FOUNDATION

In 2018, AICF provided breast cancer screenings to 4,246 NYC Women

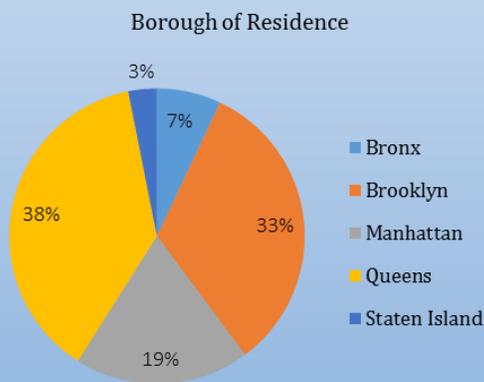
70% had a household income at or below \$25,000

81% identified as women of color

61% were uninsured or underinsured

42% spoke a language other than English

1,074 women were provided with 1-on-1 Patient Navigation services



We partnered with trusted community partners to bring **256** mobile breast cancer screening events to where women live, work or worship.

Cost-Effectiveness

AICF's direct program cost is \$130 per patient. This cost includes patient recruitment, education, screening and patient navigation. In comparison, the least expensive rate an uninsured patient can expect to pay for a mammogram alone is \$164.

Mobile, No-Cost Breast Cancer Screening Program

About the Program

The American-Italian Cancer Foundation (AICF)'s Mobile, No-cost Breast Cancer Screening Program provides no-cost mammograms, clinical breast exams, breast health education and patient navigation services to NYC underprivileged women. Since 1987, AICF's Mammogram Bus has traveled to the five boroughs of NYC, five days a week, year-round providing breast cancer screening services to those most in need - medically underserved, economically disadvantaged, culturally and linguistically marginalized women.

One out of eight women will develop breast cancer in their lifetime. Low income, uninsured, women of color are more likely to forgo annual screenings and be diagnosed with breast cancer at later stages, resulting in higher mortality rates than their white, insured, higher income counterparts. AICF ensures that all NYC women have access to potentially life-saving annual breast cancer screening services regardless of their economic or health insurance status.

AICF Overcomes Barriers to Breast Cancer Screening

AICF's No-cost Breast Cancer Screening Program eliminates the economic, linguistic and cultural barriers to screening by having:

- **No out-of-pocket costs** for the women we serve.
- A **traveling Mammogram Bus** that eliminates transportation and geographical obstacles to healthcare access by bringing screening services directly to patients' neighborhoods.
- **Partnerships with an extensive network of over 200 community sites.** We partner with trusted community groups and civic leaders throughout New York City to eliminate cultural and linguistic barriers to regular screening and to reduce the distrust of the healthcare system that many women feel.
- Comprehensive **breast health education** which ensures that women are aware of the importance of regular breast cancer screenings and feel empowered to make well-informed health decisions.
- **Patient Navigation** services to ensure that women have the support and tools they need to access diagnostic and treatment services in a timely manner.

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